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FROM ROBINSON

E.O. 11652 GDS

TAGS: ETRD, UR, US

SUBJ: SOVIET GRAIN SALE NEGOTIATIONS

1. GRAIN WORKING GROUP OCT. 6 HAD ITS SHORTEST MEETING  
YET. IT ONLY LASTED ONE HOUR.

2. SOVIETS REITERATED OPPOSITION TO ANY LANGUAGE RELATING  
TO INFORMATION EXCHANGE OR STOCKS BUT FINALLY AGREED REPORT  
OUR REVISED FORMULATIONS TO PATOLICHEV.

3. SOVIETS STATED IT WAS "POSSIBLE" THEY COULD AGREE TO  
SOMETHING LIKE OUR REVISED ARTICLE 1, PROVIDED ALL ELSE  
WAS WELL.

4. DISCUSSION OF ARTICLE 2, ARTICLE 5 A AND SIDE LETTER  
WENT OVER FAMILIAR GROUND BUT PERHAPS MADE STEP FORWARD  
IN THAT GORDEYEV IN SUMMING UP SAID THERE WERE TWO POSSIBLE  
SOLUTIONS TO EXPLORE. FIRST, MAYBE INCLUDE A REFERENCE IN  
5 A TO U.S. SIDE LETTER. SECOND, DROP 5 A AND THE IDEA OF  
SIDE LETTER.

5. WORKING GROUP LEFT IT TO HEADS OF DELEGATION TO EXPLORE  
IMPLICATIONS OF THESE TWO WAYS TO SOLVE PROBLEM BUT IT WAS  
OUR IMPRESSION AS WE HAVE STATED BEFORE THAT SOVIETS WOULD  
ONLY AGREE TO U.S. SIDE LETTER IN RELATION TO ARTICLE 5 A

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IF SIDE LETTER WERE IN FACT TO DEAL WITH DEFINITION OF

SERIOUS SHORTAGE WITHOUT BESTOWING A UNILATERAL RIGHT FOR  
U.S. TO REDUCE SOVIET PURCHASES BELOW SIX MILLION.

6. LONG MEETING OF HEADS OF DELEGATION FOLLOWED AND WILL  
BE REPORTED SEPARATELY. IT WAS MORE NEGATIVE.

7. PATOLICHEV AND ROBINSON AGREED WORKING GROUP SHOULD  
RECONVENE 8:00 P.M. MOSCOW TIME OCTOBER 6. INSTURCTIONS  
URGENTLY NEEDE.

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